

Major Steinfels enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1994 and served as a Food Service Specialist and Canvassing Recruiter prior to being selected for MECEP in 1999. Upon receiving his commission and follow-on training as an artillery officer, he deployed as a Forward Observer and Fire Direction Officer with BLT 1/2 in support of OIF. In 2005, he assumed the billet of Battery Executive Officer (B, 1/10) and deployed in support of the Unit Deployment Program. From July 2006 until August 2009, he served as a Warfighting Instructor, Staff Platoon Commander, Company Executive Officer and Current Operations Officer at The Basic School. From June 2010 until 2013, he served with 2d Battalion, 11th Marines as the 5th Marines Assistant Fire Support Coordinator, Battery Commander (E, 2/11), Battalion Logistics Officer (deploying in support of OEF) and Battalion Executive Officer. He is currently assigned as a Congressional Fellow serving under the Office of Legislative Affairs. He has graduated with Highest Distinction from the University of Illinois and with Honors from The Basic School and the Expeditionary Warfare School. He holds a Master's Degree in International Management from the University of Maryland and is currently enrolled in Command and Staff College. He is married with three children and resides in Woodbridge, Virginia.